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Route To: 2300
Subject: Gypsy Moth Trapping
To: Gypsy Moth Cooperators

The 2000 Gypsy Moth Trapping Season has ended. Because the adult portion of the gypsy moth life cycle is finished, no more male moths could be caught in 2000.

Thank you for the time and effort you have put into this monitoring program, we received several traps with suspect moths in 2000 but happily none contained gypsy moths. This is a very important program in which we rely on your vigilance to detect gypsy moths that might be accidentally introduced into Arizona. You are part of a cooperative effort and are working together with state and local agencies to keep Arizona gypsy moth free.

It is now time to take down all your traps and return them to this office. Please do not leave any traps out in the field. The pheromones in these traps continue to attract moths into the next season even though pheromone strength diminishes and becomes unreliable. Since these traps would not be checked, captured moths could go undetected.

Please send all traps, deployed or unused, all monitoring forms (Trap Location forms and Trap Monitoring forms) with a map of each site showing where the trap had been located to:

Arizona Zone Entomology and Pathology

Attn.: Gypsy Moth Detection Program

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If you have any questions concerning this letter or the gypsy moth detection program, please feel free to contact Steve Dudley (520-556-2071) or myself (520-556-2072).

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